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SUBJECT: VISIT OF REPRESENTATIVE OF CONTINENTAL ILLINOIS
BANK TO SOUTHERN AFRICA

1. DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT MR. SMITH, VICE
PRESIDENT FOR AFRICA, MIDDLE EAST AND AUSTRALIA, AND
MR. RANDOLPH MILLER OF CONTINENTAL ILLINOIS NATIONAL BANK
OF CHICAGO WILL BE VISITING SOUTHERN AFRICA BEGINNING
AUGUST 19.

2. FOR PRETORIA: SMITH AND MILLER WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH
EMBASSY ECONOMIC AND/OR POLITICAL OFFICERS IN PRETORIA ON
AUGUST 19 AT 10:30 A.M. IF CONVENIENT FOR EMBASSY.
PLEASE ADVISE.

3. FOR GABORONE: MILLER AND SMITH WOULD LIKE TO MEET WITH
AMBASSADOR BOLEN AND/OR OTHER EMBASSY OFFICERS AT 9:30 A.M.
ON MONDAY, AUGUST 23. SMITH AND MILLER WOULD LIKE TO DIS-
CUSS RECENT INTERNATIONAL ENGINEERING COMPANY'S STUDY ON
FEASIBILITY OF DEVELOPMENT OF BOTSWANAN WATER AND LAND
RESOURCES WITH EMBASSY OFFICERS. THEY WOULD ALSO AP-
PRECiate EMBASSY ASSISTANCE IN MAKING FOLLOWING APPOINT-
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MENTS WITH GOB OFFICIALS ON SAME DATE: MR. MANNATHAKO

AT 11:00 A.M.; DIRECTOR OR OTHER KEY OFFICIALS AT CENTRAL

BANK AT 2:00 P.M.; AND WITH PERMANENT SECRETARY AND/OR
OTHER APPROPRIATE OFFICIALS AT MINISTRY OF FINANCE AT
3:30 P.M. PLEASE ADVISE SOONEST IF THESE APPOINTMENTS
ARE FEASIBLE. (WE CAUTIONED MILLER THAT SINCE AUGUST
23 IS DATE OF ISSUE OF NEW CURRENCY, CENTRAL BANK
OFFICIALS MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE.) ROBINSON

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